Dear Donald Beggs, 6/1/77

Bud Fensterwald has sent me the letter that was returned to you. Nothing sinister in it. Rather stupidity. The post office renumbered the rural routes and then did not forward from one route clerk to another after six months passed.

What interests you interests me and it happens a friend to whom I refer you, Emory Brown, 82 Squankum Road, Howell, N.J. 07731. I'm informing Emory and Bud with carbons.

I am well aware of your feeling, concern, what can I say and not say of these experiences. While I was never a spook I did some investigating and much analysis and research. My wife knew nothing of what I did and about much to this day I have never spoken or written. I think it boils down to right and wrong but I also believe there is no reason for fear. Fear is a great crippler.

In my first book I express what I believe, Oswald's career is consistent with intelligence. I've always been interested in that. The available records and quite deficient.

Emory has had the same cryptographic question you have including the same exhibit. He has knowledge of cryptography that I do not have.

I would appreciate copies of anything you can spare and anything of interest that you and Emory may work out together. There is a limit in what I can find time to work on, not on what interests me. If I can make constructive suggestions I will.

You refer to a "Double Oswald." There are other formulations. Popkin's is Second Oswald. I dislike that much and believe it is unfaithful to what can be the reality. My concept, Male Oswald, projects counterfeiting. You have picked up some of my references to this. In fact Hoover feared it might be done while LHO was in the USSR.

Because I am not a lawyer I cannot give you legal advice. If you cannot arrange this there is an alternative: submit the manuscript to the Marines. If they ask for certain deletions you can ask for justifications. Or you can consult the ACLU.

Subsequent work convinces me that while they served similar purposes there is no direct connection between the JFK and King killings.

While it may not be relevant I add a few things on the name Osborne. It is the name under which the printin was done in New Orleans. An Osborne was a friend of Kerry Thornley, who is a dubious character and was a Marines friend of the real Oswald.

In your letter to Bud you refer to your experiences with the National Security Agency and other spookeries. Interestingly enough I also respond to an NSA denial of any records of or on me today. I have some and I've been told of others but they stonewall.

If you would care to discuss any of this with me I expect to be in Dallas for a few days beginning the 19th.

My wife will know how to reach me.

Sincerely,